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This email is compiled by **Neighbourhood Watch** volunteers as a service for residents in the **Kuring Gai** Police Local Area Command (LAC), which of course includes Hornsby area also. Anyone may join our distribution list by emailing: <a href="mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com">NHWGordon@gmail.com</a>. The weekly update usually includes:

- Project eyewatch: A selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC facebook page, etc.
- Local Neighbourhood Watch information: Meetings, relevant tit-bits, crime prevention tips
- Media Release: Our Crime Prevention Officer distributes this usually on a Monday morning. It covers incidents from the week before in our LAC.

# 10th December, Kuring Gai LAC: Police have located the body of a man who had been reported missing from his home in Hornsby Heights.

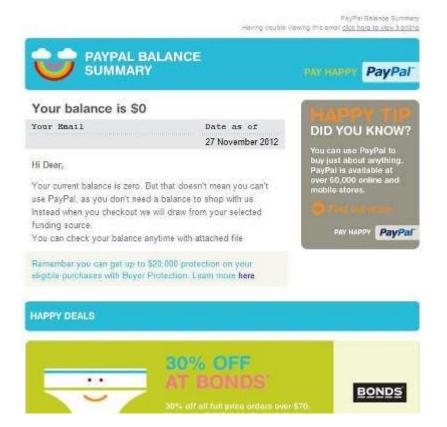
Police had been searching for the 45-year-old since he missed appointments last Friday (7 December). Police divers retrieved the man's body from Railway Dam at Brooklyn early today (9 December). A report will be prepared for the information of the Coroner. At this point in the investigation, there does not appear to be any suspicious circumstances. Anyone with information about this incident should call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page: <a href="https://www1.police.nsw.gov.au/">https://www1.police.nsw.gov.au/</a>. Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence. We remind people they should not report crime information via our Facebook and Twitter pages.

8th December, Kuring Gai LAC: 26 more kes> and we reach the magic 1000! Please

encourage others to like> our page. And how about everyone joins in with our online Project eyewatch groups - the 21st Century Neighbourhood Watch? Would you like to actively contribute with Crime Prevention in your community? We are offering communication between the local Kuring-gai and Hornsby communities and the Police in a secure facebook environment. Tell us what's bothering you? How can we assist? Please message for more information.



**6th December, from NSW Fair Trading:** A malicious replication of a <u>PayPal</u> Balance Summary email is in circulation. It looks exactly like a normal PayPal email but has an attached file that includes a virus and addresses the recipient as "Dear"! If you suspect you've received it, delete the email straight away and opt to check your PayPal balance summary by logging into PayPal directly instead.



6th December: Police officer Bryson Anderson killed in knife attack in western Sydney. A screen shot of a post that day:



5th December, from PolAir - NSW Police Force Airwing RFS Water Bombing Aircraft, FRNSW and NSWPF at the Lane Cove Fire (one of many photos):



**5th December, from eyewatch Wahroonga:** Please help us raise much needed funds to support the fit-out of the new Ku-ring-gai SES and Bush Fire Brigade HQ. Every \$1 donated the Turramurra and Lindfield Community Bendigo Bank will contribute a \$1.



**4th December: Eyewatch in Schools - making schools safer places.** The School Security Unit is the Department of Education and Communities' specialist security advisory service. It provides advice to schools on a broad range of security and asset protection issues. The unit

should be contacted for advice about the reporting of security breaches, alarm and video surveillance systems (CCTV), security guard services, asset protection planning and any other security issues. For further information, please contact the Safety and Security Directorate on (02) 9672 2012.

#### 4th December: Trespass on School Grounds

Between Friday 30th November and Sunday 2nd of December 2012 five schools in the Kuring Gai Local Area Command were targets of break and enters, resulting in malicious damage, including graffiti, and damage to school property such as books, furniture, windows and rollers screen doors. The schools affected include **Galston Public and High, Berowra Public, Hornsby North and Normanhurst Public schools** with damage totally over \$3000. With the school holidays fast approaching police are urging members of the public to be especially vigilant in relation to reporting incidents of persons observed on school grounds outside the hours of operation.

#### **3rd December: Crime Stoppers new launch:**

A new service that registers personal details to notify next of kin in an emergency is the world's first free online critical information register, according to Crime Stoppers. The service, called MyPD, can quickly help find families in case of a critical medical emergency. MyPD can only be accessed by emergency services personnel. If you are involved in an accident, the MyPD.com service gives emergency service personnel on-the-spot access to information about you - your preferred contact person/s and basic medical information. Peter Price OAM, Director and CEO for Crime Stoppers NSW, said the service could be crucial in finding someone's family. "Any member of the public can use the free service. It gives them peace of mind that in the case of an unfortunate event, emergency services personnel can contact the victim's family," Price said. <a href="http://facebook.us2.list-">http://facebook.us2.list-</a>

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**3rd December**: A request from a fellow emergency service: Welcome to **Ku-ring-gai Bush Fire Brigade Facebook page**. Please like our page and share. Many thanks.

Also from **Arcadia Rural Fire Brigade**: This weekend our Member's participated in the district navigation exercise. In many occasions we are required to work in remote areas where map reading and navigation skills are needed (many photos uploaded).

**Dealing with Barking Dogs - guidelines:** For more information, please read this handy brochure at the link below. An extract - If you are annoyed by the noise from your neighbour's dog there are several things you can do:

**Talk to the dog's owner** The dog's owner may not have realised that their dog is bothering you, and in many cases, will be happy to work with you to solve the problem.

Contact a Community Justice Centre If the problem persists, you may contact a Community

Justice Centre (CJC). These are government-funded but independent centres that specialise in settling differences between neighbours without entering into complicated legal processes. They will suggest mediation, where you meet with the dog's owner and a CJC representative to try and solve the problem. This process will not cost you any money, and has a high success rate. CJC contact details are shown at the end of this booklet.

**Contact your local council** If mediation is unsuccessful and the noise problem persists, contact your local council. They have statutory powers to deal with barking dogs. Under the Companion Animals Act 1998, a council officer can issue a nuisance order to the owner declaring the dog a nuisance if it barks or makes another noise that keeps occurring or continues to such a degree that it unreasonably disturbs neighbours.

http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/noise/20120291barkingdogs.pdf

**Dealing With Neighbourhood Noise - guidelines:** With the summer months approaching and the impending end of year events and parties the attached link is a handy brochure for the hosts or the geographic victims of NOISE. Please have a read if planning a party or if you are the impending victim of a noise incident. It is recommended that you talk to your neighbours about the issue before it becomes critical and before tempers get frayed.

http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/noise/10270NeighbourhoodNoise.pdf

Have you downloaded the App? Australian emergency intelligence company RIPE Intel has joined with GRIDSTONE, an award winning app developer, to bring you Emergency AUS. Emergency AUS is the most comprehensive source of real-time emergency information in Australia. As our flagship product, the Emergency AUS network of websites and apps, bring together publicly available emergency information to help communities make better informed decisions during emergencies.

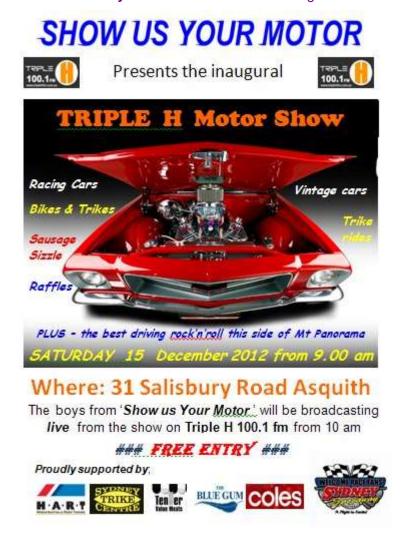
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From NSW Fair Trading a link to a Youtube video: <a href="http://facebook.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=76e5dc9a91946a6f3d7f0da9d&id=a0e657264b&e=a363be97f2">http://facebook.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=76e5dc9a91946a6f3d7f0da9d&id=a0e657264b&e=a363be97f2</a> Why not watch the video and see if you can **pick the con man?** 

And from Snr Con Peter Litynski of the Project eyewatch team: Hi all, for your information, I am in the final process of getting the eyewatch sticker made for community members to put onto

their window or letter box. Only members of a group will get a sticker, not just anyone. As soon as approved I will send out. The sticker will be like the old NHW green ones, however, will be blue with the eyewatch symbol police logo and checkers, with the wording '21st Century Neighbourhood Watch'.

**Triple H Community Radio 100.1 FM** support Neighbourhood Watch, the Police, Project eyewatch and many other local not for profit organisations. How about supporting them **from 9am** this **Saturday 15th December** at their inaugural **Motor Show, 31 Salisbury Rd, Asquith**?



Did you get to the Christmas Spectacular last Saturday at Rofe Park, Hornsby Heights? The Police had a stall on that very windy evening, manned by volunteers, including some of your local Neighbourhood Watch representatives. Thanks go to Mount Colah, East Killara, Gordon, Turramurra and Berowra Neighbourhood Watch groups for providing extra hands. It was a great family event, with many Police colouring-in pages and crayons being given out, along with lots of little 'Constable Charlies' stamped on the back of hands. The kids provided a chance for volunteers to share information about Neighbourhood Watch, Crime Prevention messages, the Police use of facebook and to give out the FREE ever-popular Little Black Book of Scams, 'Our

Favourite 20 Crime Prevention Tips...' series etc. We'll let you know when we're doing another stall near you...

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manage2.com/track/click?u=76e5dc9a91946a6f3d7f0da9d&id=c10bf23755&e=a363be97f2 is the link to your local Police's facebook page. Look also for Gordon NHW, Mount Colah NHW, eyewatch Wahroonga, East Killara NHW, Berowra and other Neighbourhood Watch areas.





The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command (Hornsby Police Station) 10/12/12:

Incident: Truck in power pole/ power outage/ road closure Time/Date: About 11.50 am on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

Location: Telegraph Road, Pymble

On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2012 a section of Telegraph road had to be closed to traffic and pedestrians as a result of the collision between a Pantech truck and a Telegraph pole. Live power lines have come down onto the footpath on the northern side of Telegraph Road. NSW Fire Brigade officers from Gordon were first on the scene and cordoned off the area. Fire Brigade officers then commenced informing residents of what had occurred and to stay indoors due to the live wires down. During this time traffic was still flowing slowly both east and west bound along Telegraph Road, however around 13:30h, wind gusts in the area strengthened causing live wires to be blown around the foot path and road way causing constant electrical arcs. At this time Police deemed the area too dangerous to keep Telegraph Road open to traffic resulting in Telegraph road being closed to east and west bound traffic between Station Street and Coleridge Street. No persons were injured as a result but due to the significant damage to the power pole and lines Telegraph Road was closed while repairs were conducted resulting in power outages throughout the day.

Incident: Chemical Spillage

Time/Date: About 6pm on Thursday 6th December 2012

Location: Ryde Road X Yanko Road, West

About 6pm on Thursday 6th December 2012 a semi trailer laden with chemicals was involved in a motor vehicle collision at the intersection of Ryde and Yanko Road, West Pymble. The collision caused damage to one 44 gallon drum which contained marine resin which has spilled onto the road and threatened the drainage system. A number of emergency vehicles attended with an exclusion zone of 100 metres around the vehicle established and residents were evacuated from nearby homes. It took several hours to clean up the location with residents allowed to return to their homes around 10.45pm.

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Incident: Assault

Time/Date: 1:40pm on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2012

Location: MacDonald's, Pacific Hwy Gordon

Around 1.40 pm on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2012 a male described as Caucasian, late 50s average build, white hair slightly balding. Wearing blue shirt, shorts and socks pulled up carrying red bag. Was being served at the counter of MacDonald's, Gordon. While at the counter it is believed the male has taken offence to the 25 year old female victim having legitimate companion animals in the area resulting in a physical altercation.

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Incident: Stealing

Time/Date: 10.30pm on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2012 Location: Jewellers Redleaf Avenue, Wahroonga

Between 2.30 pm and 2.40 pm on Saturday 08 December 2012 a male described as Caucasian in appearance, 50 years old, black hair, blue jeans, white shirt, multiple tattoos, and shabby appearance has entered jeweller's on Redleaf Avenue, Wahroonga. He has proceeded to take jewellery from an open display case located at the stated location. The staff member was serving multiple customers at the time and left the display cabinet open whilst the possible offender was in the vicinity. Items stolen include a bracelet and a pendant. The offender was seen to leave the location and enter a vehicle described as possibly a Daihatsu Charade.

Incident: Stealing from Vehicle

Time/Date: Between 10 pm and 11.55 pm on Thursday 06 December 2012

Location: Hornsby Railway Station

Between 10 pm and 11.55 pm on Thursday 06 December 2012 unknown person/s have entered the drivers cabin of a train carriage that had terminated at the Hornsby railway station. It is believed the offender/s have waited until the driver has moved towards the rear of the train before entering the cabin. Stolen was a canister containing 12 detonators with the property value over \$400.

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Incident: Malicious damage

Time/Date: Between 3.30pm on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December and 7.00am on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December

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Location: Kuring Gai Public School

Between 3:30 pm on Monday 3rd December 2012 and 07:00 am on Thursday 6th December 2012, unknown person/s have used physical force to rip out electrical water saving monitor cables from the connection/links attached to the water mains, above and below ground, at the front gate of Kuring Gai Public school.

Police are appealing to witnesses who may have information relating to the above incident to contact Hornsby police on 9476 9799, or phone Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 to report any information relating to the matter anonymously.

**END** 

Remember to report any suspicious activity in the neighbourhood directly to Hornsby Police on 02 9476 9799. DON'T DELAY IN REPORTING

Please encourage your neighbours and friends to join our NHW Gordon Mailing list at NHWGordon@gmail.com.

### Our mailing address is:

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